

Egremont Board of Health
September 16, 2021, 10:00 am
Town Hall and Zoom

In Attendance: Charles Ogden, Chairman, Dr. William Rose, Ellen Maggio

Recording: Juliette Haas, Director

- 1) Chairman Ogden called the meeting to order at 10:03 am. He noted the presence of a quorum, introduced members and staff present. A motion was made and seconded to adopt the minutes of the September 2 and September 10, 2021 meetings with corrections and modifications. Vote taken: 2-0 (Member Rose abstained as he wasn't present at either of those meetings.)

- 2) **COVID**

Mask directive

- The board voted to amend by adding the following under Exemptions: Masks are not required if someone is alone in a work space, but a mask should be readily available if someone enters. Vote taken 3-0 passed.
- A complaint was lodged to the Attorney General's Office by an Egremont resident stating the mask directive was a violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- While the board didn't vote to delete section 3, they did feel "event" pertains to very large outdoor events.
- The board checked with Tri-Town Health to see if masks are required at their Transfer Stations (they are not). Members Maggio and Rose felt masks should not be required. Chairman Ogden did. Board took no action.

Joint flu clinic/booster clinic

Our PH nurses have stated that booster shots will NOT be given at the upcoming flu clinic as was previously thought.

- 3) **Straher/24 Lakeside Drive** Homeowner did file a NOI with the Conservation Commission by the agreed upon deadline.
- 4) **Flu Clinic** To be held on Wednesday October 6th at French Park from 3 – 6 pm. Nurses will have first dose COVID vaccine available.

- 5) **Recent Field Work**

Title 5/88 Blunt Road/Alliance/pass
Title 5/87 Shun Toll Road/Alliance/fail
Perc/87 Shun Toll Road/Alliance
Final Inspection/Terra Firma/Juliette
Title 5/58 Main Street/Alliance/pass

- 6) **Listoff/Creamery Road** The board requested more information on the car body work/sand blasting particulate complaint that was reported.
- 7) **Curnin/Shun Toll Road** The board reviewed and approved new construction septic plans submitted by Kelly, Granger and Parsons for a future 5 bedroom home.
- 8) **West Nile Virus/Arbovirus Update** There are currently six human cases of WNV reported in Massachusetts this season. All cases are in the eastern part of the state. Risk level has not been raised in any community in Berkshire County.
- 9) Meeting adjourned at 11:15 am. Next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on September 30th.

Juliette Haas

Approved

9/30/2021